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## HIGH TIDE.

How many a power hath to this moment bent  
Wave after wave hath broken its jeweled crest;  
Its pride hath shattered, lavished of its best;  
The storm of yesterday's fierce blast bent.

The tempest long forgotten; all are silent  
In this fair hour of perfection and rest;  
Hour of triumph, when the ocean's breast  
Swells with the sun stirred pulses backward bent.

Lack has been met. Now the cup brims o'er;  
The balanced moment holds abundant peace;  
Peace in the wave, as soft along the shore,  
Lies the slow ebb of sorrow's storm content.

—R. W. Stewart in Overland Monthly.

## HINTS FOR BOYS.

REMEMBER YOU HAVE BUT ONE  
CHANCE IN LIFE.

Make the Most of Your Opportunity—The  
Need of Self Knowledge—Smother Out  
Evil Habits with Those of the Opposite  
Kind—Self Control.

What boys need is a few hints in the art  
of living. Mistakes made early in life go on  
with us, either to be fought with through  
valuable years or else to wreck our chances.  
You want, of course, to want, first of all, to  
see clearly that you have but one chance in  
life to make the most of yourself—only once  
that you can go over the ground; and you  
must be sure and positive as to what you are  
doing. Then it will never hurt any boy to  
stop and see how very few do have a fair  
sort of life; and then consider why so large  
a proportion of human beings have a petty,  
low, or even brutal plans to live on.

The next thing that I am quite sure a  
young chap needs is to get a good glimpse of  
himself. This is not the hardest task in the  
world, although some make the accomplishment  
very difficult. A good deal of self  
knowledge can be obtained by a quiet con-  
sideration and moderate estimate of what we  
like to do, to be, and with whom we like to  
associate. And one who really wishes can  
find out his special dangers, and his special  
advantages and powers. He can know if he  
is liable to hasty outbreaks of temper, or to  
sensuality, or is naturally revengeful, or  
fickle or envious. Can any one tell us why  
a person shall not go to work upon himself  
as he would at